

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	MSC-23193-3
First Inventor	G. Dickey Arndt
Title	Passive Tracking System and Method
Express Mail Label No.	EU657648142US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages 65]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 11]
- ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
 - ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
- ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- ☒ Other: Letter containing certificate of mailing

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: 09, 994,989

Prior application information:

Examiner: Fred H. Mull

Group Art Unit: 3662

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL
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Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)
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National Aeronautics and Space Administration

The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☐ Credit any overpayments☒ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	750.00
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)			(\$ 750.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	-20** =	X	
Multiple Dependent	-3** =	X	

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2)

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**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,450	2254 725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 1,970	2255 985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,300	2501 650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 470	2502 235	Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 750	2809 375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor G. Dickey Arndt

Title Passive Tracking System and Method

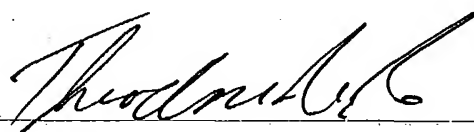
Atty Docket Number MSC-23193-3

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

7/2/03

Date



Signature

Theodore U. Ro, #52,168

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. **Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).**

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NASA CASE NO. MSC-23193-3

Patent Application

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Sean O'Keefe) Group Art
) Unit:
First Named Inventor:	G. Dickey Arndt)
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Serial No.:)
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Filed :	July 1, 2003)
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For:	Passive Tracking System and Method)
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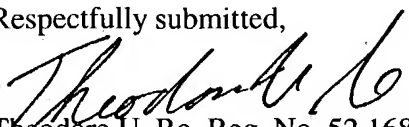
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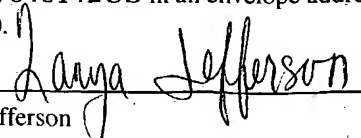
The enclosed application is being filed in accordance with Rules 1.10 and 1.53(b) in order to obtain a filing date of July 1, 2003. The application is being sent by Express Mail "Post Office to Addressee" under Certificate EU657648142US.

Respectfully submitted,


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I hereby certify that the attached application "Passive Tracking System and Method," is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on July 1, 2003, as Express Mail "Post Office to Addressee" under Certificate No. EU657648142US in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.


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Request for Filing a Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-Part Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Prior Application:

Examiner Fred H. Mull Art Unit 3662

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation, ☒ continuation-in-part, or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of
prior application:

Serial No.: 09/994,989 Confirmation No.: 1572 Filed: 11/14/2001Entitled: Passive Tracking System and Method

by the following named inventor(s):

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- ☒ 1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the specifications, claims, drawings and declaration as originally filed.
- ☒ 2. Cancel in this application original claims 1-55 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing)
- ☒ 3. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in prior application.)

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of claims existing in the prior application as amended at 2, above.

CLAIMS				
FOR (1)	NUMBER		RATE (4)	CALCULATIONS (5)
	PAID FOR (2)	EXTRA (3)		
TOTAL CLAIMS 41	55	0	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 4	7	0	\$84.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (If applicable) -----				
BASIC FEE -----				\$750.00
TOTAL =				\$750.00

- ☒ 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to effect only the filing of this application under CFR 1.16 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0116
- ☒ 5. A new declaration is included (required for continuation or divisional application adding new inventor, and in continuation-in-part applications).
- ☒ 6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence:
 "This application is a ☐ division, ☒ continuation-in-part, or
☐ continuation of application Serial No. 09/994,989, filed 11/14/2001"
- ☐ 7. New drawings are enclosed.

☒ 8. Nonpublication request and certification is enclosed (*PTO/SB/35 or equivalent*).

☒ 9. The prior application is assigned of record to:

United States of America as represented by the Administrator, National Aeronautics & Space Administration

☒ 10. The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

☒ a. Registered practitioners at Customer No.: 24957

☐ b. Registered practitioners listed below (*Name and registration number*):

☐ 11. A Power of Attorney is enclosed.

☒ 12. Also enclosed: Extra copy of this form; Ltr (1 pg) containing the Exp. Mailing Cert. &USPTO PTO/SB/05

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